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## Illinois EPA Announces Lead Service Line Inventory Grant Recipients

### *\$2 Million Being Provided to Local Governments for Development of Lead Service Line Inventories*

SPRINGFIELD —Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) Director John J. Kim today announced Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI) Grants to 48 communities to assist in meeting the requirements outlined in the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act. The LSLI Grants, ranging from \$20,000 - \$50,000, will fund the creation of a complete lead service line inventory.

The Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act (Public Act 102-0613) requires owners and operators of community water supplies (CWS) in Illinois to submit a complete water service line material inventory for the Illinois EPA's approval no later than April 15, 2024. The complete inventory must report the composition of all service lines within the CWS's distribution system.

"This funding will provide many communities with the necessary funding to develop a complete inventory identifying the types of water lines that exist in their drinking water supplies," **said Director Kim**. "Illinois EPA received a tremendous response to this funding opportunity, receiving 101 grant applications from villages and cities throughout the state and exceeding the funding made available for this initial funding opportunity. Thanks to recent legislation passed by the General Assembly and signed by Governor Pritzker, we will be able to open a new funding cycle the coming weeks to assist even more communities."

The LSLI Grant Program utilizes a portion of Illinois EPA Public Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP) loan support funds generated from loan repayments. Illinois EPA conducted a comprehensive review and scoring of all grant applications received to determine priority. Based on the scoring, Illinois EPA will fund 48 projects for a total of \$2,000,000. Of the 48 projects funded, 40 were identified as being in areas of Environmental Justice concern. Funding was provided up to a maximum of \$50,000 per grantee. Grantees may request supplemental funding in the form of a low-interest loan through the Illinois EPA's PWSLP in conjunction with funding to replace lead service lines.

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With the appropriation of additional funding for the LSLI Grant Program, Illinois EPA anticipates another funding opportunity will be announced in the coming weeks. Additional information on the program is available on the Illinois EPA website at:

<https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/drinking-water/public-water-users/Pages/LSLI-Grant-Opportunity.aspx>.

Below is the list of communities receiving initial funding through the LSLI Grant Program.

Applicant	Grant Award Amount		Applicant	Grant Award Amount
Albion, City of	\$40,000		Marshall, City of	\$40,000
Alsip, Village of	\$50,000		Melrose Park, Village of	\$50,000
Atwood, Village of	\$30,000		Monmouth, City of	\$40,000
Belvidere, City of	\$50,000		Mt. Carmel, City of	\$40,000
Berwyn, City of	\$50,000		Nokomis, City of	\$40,000
Blue Island, City of	\$50,000		Oglesby, City of	\$40,000
Burnham, Village of	\$40,000		Peoria Heights, Village of	\$40,000
Calumet Park, Village of	\$40,000		Peru, City of	\$50,000
Carbondale, City of	\$50,000		Posen, Village of	\$40,000
Carlinville, City of	\$40,000		Robbins, Village of	\$40,000
Chicago Heights, City of	\$50,000		Rock Island, City of	\$50,000
Collinsville, City of	\$50,000		Rockford, City of	\$50,000
Dolton, Village of	\$50,000		Savanna, City of	\$40,000
Du Quoin, City of	\$40,000		Sheffield, Village of	\$24,110
Elmwood Park, Village of	\$50,000		South Chicago Heights, Village of	\$40,000
Eureka, City of	\$40,000		Steger, Village of	\$40,000
Hazel Crest, Village of	\$40,000		Stickney, Village of	\$40,000
Herrin, City of	\$50,000		Summit, Village of	\$40,000
Lacon, City of	\$30,000		Sumner, City of	\$25,200
LaSalle, City of	\$40,000		Taylorville, City of	\$50,000
Lovington, Village of	\$30,000		Vandalia, City of	\$40,000
Lyons, Village of	\$40,000		Waukegan, City of	\$50,000
Macomb, City of	\$40,000		Willow Hill, Village of	\$20,690
Markham, City of	\$40,000		Wood River, City of	\$40,000
<b>48 Applicants</b>				<b>\$2,000,000</b>

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